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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF, CVIS, PFOR, HU, SZ

SUBJ: ASYLUM REQUEST (PATAKI, JANOS)

REF: BERN 2781

1. SWISS EMBASSY OFFICIAL REPORTED THAT HIS AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN SUMMONED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY TWICE CONCERNING CASE OF DR. JANOS PATAKI. ON FIRST OCCASION DEPUTY FONMIN JANOS NAGY PRESSED SWISS FOR INFORMATION ON EXACT WHEREABOUTS OF PATAKI, CLAIMING THAT GOH HAS RIGHT UNDER GENEVA CONVENTION TO PERSONALLY INTERVIEW HIM. GOH POSITION REPEATED SECOND TIME WHEN SWISS AMBASSADOR CALLED IN TO SEE NAGY'S ASSISTANT, JOZSEF BENYI.

2. SWISS REPORTEDLY TOLD HUNGARIANS THAT THEY ARE STILL CONSIDERING PATAKI'S REQUEST FOR ASYLUM, BUT DECISION EXPECTED IN NEXT TWO WEEKS. SWISS ALSO INFORMED GOH THAT THEY HAVE DIFFERENT INTERPRETATION OF GENEVA CONVENTION AND WILL NOT FURNISH ADDRESS OF PATAKI. SWISS AMBASSADOR, HOWEVER, OFFERED TO PASS ON ANY MESSAGE OF GOH TO PATAKI.

3. SWISS OFFICIAL SAID THAT HIS AMBASSADOR HAD WORKED  
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VERY HARD OVER PAST TWO YEARS AT IMPROVING BILATERAL

RELATIONS WITH HUNGARY, BUT NOW FELT THAT HIS EFFORTS WERE SEVERELY THREATENED BY PATAKI CASE. NEVERTHELESS, HE ADDED, SWISS GOVERNMENT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY DECIDE, CONSISTENT WITH POLICY SINCE WORLD WAR II, TO GRANT ASYLUM REQUEST IN SPITE OF ADVERSE EFFECT ON BILATERAL RELATIONS.

4. SWISS SOURCE COMPLAINED THAT BERN HAD BEEN SLOW TO NOTIFY ITS EMBASSY IN BUDAPEST ABOUT PATAKI'S REQUEST AND THIS HAD CAUSED SOME PERSONAL EMBARRASSMENT TO HIS AMBASSADOR.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: TO PROTECT OUR SOURCE WHO SPOKE WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION OR KNOWLEDGE OF HIS CHIEF OF MISSION, AMBASSADOR STOUDMANN, PLEASE DO NOT REPEAT NOT, DISCUSS CONTENTS THIS MESSAGE WITH SWISS AUTHORITIES. PLEASE HANDLE AS NOFORN.  
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